

**BILL #** HB 2242

**TITLE:** school facilities board; project managers

**SPONSOR:** Lujan

**STATUS:** As Amended by House APPROP

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## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### **Description**

The bill allows the School Facilities Board (SFB) to directly contract with construction project managers for the construction of new school projects if the costs of the project exceeds the new construction formula amount. These services would be paid for by monies from the New School Facilities (NSF) Fund. The bill also allows SFB to directly contract with construction project managers for the maintenance of existing school facilities.

### **Estimated Impact**

The bill is not estimated to have a fiscal impact. A school district's construction project manager costs are already paid by SFB. The bill would shift the contracting responsibility from a district to SFB in certain circumstances.

SFB concurs that the bill does not have a fiscal impact.

### **Analysis**

Currently, school districts contract with project managers for their board approved, new school construction projects. SFB approves a statutorily generated funding amount for each new construction project depending on each project's size, student capacity, and grade type. All new construction funding is paid for out of the NSF Fund. SFB has the ability to approve funding above the formula amount if a district cannot build a minimum facility guidelines school within the formula amount.

The bill allows SFB, instead of the school district, to directly contract with the project managers in cases where the district's new construction project costs have exceeded the statutory funding level. If this were to occur, SFB would pay for the project manager services out of the district's new construction funding amount, which is paid for from the NSF Fund. The bill would not change the funding source from which the project manager is paid, but instead changes the construction project manager contract from the school district to SFB.

### **Local Government Impacts**

None

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